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In Reply Refer To: 3809/1792 (NV-023.60) (NV-020.03) N81071

Dear Reader:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has completed the preliminary Spring Valley Exploration Project environmental assessment (EA), and it is available for public review and comment. The EA can be reviewed online at http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/wfo.html or in hardcopy at the BLM Winnemucca Field Office. Hardcopies are also available upon request. We have enclosed a CD for your convenience.

The Project Area is located on the east side of the Humboldt Range a few miles north of the Rochester Mine in Spring Valley. MGC Resources, Inc has proposed to disturb up to 75 acres on public and private land through exploration activities including reverse circulation drilling, core drilling, and minor trenching. Most of the surface disturbance will be from cross-country vehicle traffic, unconstructed drill sites and associated cuttings sumps. Additional constructed roads and drill pads may be up to 16.97 acres and 0.34 acres of trenches. A financial guarantee will be required for the final reclamation of the exploration activities.

The BLM would appreciate receiving substantive comments on this proposal by the close of business day on April 19, 2007. Questions and written comments should be directed to Surface Protection Specialist, Scott Richey, BLM Winnemucca Field Office, 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd, Winnemucca NV 89445-2921. Comments can also be submitted by email to NV_WFO_Webmail@blm.gov. Email messages should include "Spring Valley Exploration Project" in the subject line.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment - including your personal identifying information - may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

After the public review has ended, comments will be analyzed and considered as part of the decision-making process.

Sincerely,

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